

CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY, SAN LUIS OBISPO

ACADEMIC SENATE - MINUTES

October 13, 1981

Chair, Tim Kersten  
Vice Chair, Ron Brown  
Secretary, Harry Sharp

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Tim Kersten, who welcomed all the Senators and guests.

I. Minutes

The minutes were amended as follows: Page 2, paragraph 2, line 2: add Phase II-C. M/S/P to adopt the minutes as amended.

II. Announcements - None at this time.

III. Reports

A. Administrative Council (Brown)

Ron Brown reported on the discussion of Multi-Criteria Admissions. There will be two basic elements to a school's admissions criteria: 75% or more on academic criteria and up to 25% for other appropriate criteria. Mr. Gerard reported revisions to the campus master plan and Mr. Landreth reported on the Trustees and the Governor's initial budget proposals for 1982-1983.

B. CSUC Academic Senate (Hale, Riedlsperger, Weatherby)

Max Riedlsperger summarized the written report on the meeting of September 9-11. Senators should advise Statewide Senators on the tuition and foreign language requirement issues. The T.S.A. (Teaching Service Areas) issue also requires advice.

C. President's Council (Kersten)

Tim Kersten reported on the October 12 meeting. The Council received enrollment reports and information on quotas for next year. The Council also heard that an Academic Planning Committee will be created including five faculty (three appointed by the Chair of the Academic Senate and two by the President) and three administrators appointed by the Vice President. There was a review of Fall Conference and WOW week and a report on development efforts. The Administrative Bulletin on research policy is taken almost directly from the proposal made by the Academic Senate last year.

IV. Committee Reports

A. Budget (Conway)

Jim Conway reported that the committee will deal with responses to the impending budget cuts, a resolution on enrollment quota consultation, examination of mode and level funding for faculty, and clerical/technical/student assistant staffing, funding of administrative and staff on campus.

The committee will develop a seminar on how the instructional budget is designed.

B. Election (Mosher)

Lynn Mosher reported that the committee is holding numerous elections during Fall Quarter: referenda on the GE&B objectives; referenda on the constitutional revision; selection committee for the VPAA; and replacements on the PRC.

C. Faculty Library (Barnes)

Tim Barnes reported that the committee is looking at library support for research, including computer search funding and study areas.

D. General Education and Breadth (Wenzl)

Mike Wenzl reported that the first ballot on "outcomes" will be distributed on October 19. The Executive Order should be posted in all departments (E.O. 338).

E. Instruction (Gooden)

Reg Gooden reported that they will look at the CLEP and other exams as well as at the foreign language requirements.

F. Long Range Planning (Simmons)

Gerry Ellerbrock reported on the study of the calendar study including trimesters.

G. Personnel Policies (Murray)

George Murray reported the primary focus this year will be on "rankings." The committee will also look at the resume form to be used in RPT.

H. Research (Dingus)

Del Dingus reported there may be only \$5,000 for CARE grants this year. There has been a loss in library support for copies and searches. In the Computer Center the new facilities should help. Publicity on professional work has increased. The committee also is seeking more use of assigned time.

I. Student Affairs (Scriven)

Tal Scriven said the committee is looking at an admissions proposal from the CSUC.

Chair Tim Kersten announced that Vice President Hazel Jones has announced her retirement effective August 1982. He expressed appreciation for her leadership and nurture of faculty government.

V. Business Items

A. Resolution on +/- Grading (Brown)

Ron Brown reported the background. One Senator supported the proposal as part of the search for the "true grading system." One asked about the impact of the "C-" on the G.P.A. and probation. Stu Larsen suggested the minus grades receive "x.0" grade points (e.g., B- = 3.0). It was reported that the system could not be started until 1983-1984.

B. Curriculum Cycle Delay Resolution (Butler)

Kent Butler presented the proposal. Malcolm Wilson indicated that even with a one year delay we would need some further changes in the curriculum cycle to allow faculty to have the GE & B guidelines in hand as they submit the curricular proposals.

In response to a question Vice President Jones said we still intend to have the permanent GE & B program operating by September 1983.

Max Riedlsperger moved and Ed Glassco seconded the motion to move this item to a second reading status. Approved by a voice vote (unanimous). Kent Butler moved adoption.

Butler favored adoption to give faculty more time to do their curriculum work. Barbara Weber opposed it as locking in existing programs for another year.

Harry Sharp moved to amend to express the "sense of the Senate" that we intend to have the permanent GE & B program in place and operating in September 1983. Seconded by Max Riedlsperger. After discussion, the second was withdrawn and the motion, therefore, died.

Before the vote, the Chair explained that the interim GE & B program would be extended under this proposal and even without it. M/S/P to close debate. Approved by a voice vote. The main motion passed 43-5-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:55 PM.